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Cincinnati ranked 10th in country

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Put on your walking shoes.

Cincinnati was named the Best Walking City in Ohio and ranked 10th in the nation, according to a survey released today by Prevention magazine and the American Podiatric Medical Association.

The title will be a major selling point for the city, especially in light of recent downtown developments, said Mayor Mark Mallory.

"I'm not sure we've ever been recognized in this way, but it's great," he said.

> "It's one of the marks of a great city and goes a long way in attracting more visitors and residents.'

Check out great walks in this area.

In the top 10, Cincinnati is joined by major cities such as San Francisco, Boston, Chicago, New York City and Washington and smaller ones such as Cambridge, Mass., and Ann Arbor, Mich.

The study ranked more than 500 cities in the United States on a list of 14 criteria, from walking commuters and green space to street safety, pedestrian fatalities and air quality.

Cincinnati's number of fitness walkers ranked in the middle of the state list, but the city shined when it came to the number of people who walked to work, on park space per square mile and cars per household, said Michele Stanten, fitness director of Prevention.

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Columbus and Cleveland trailed Cincinnati for the title in Ohio, with Youngstown ranked last.



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In Kentucky, Covington and Florence ranked second and third, respectively, behind Louisville. Bloomington is the best in Indiana.

The best walking city in the country is Cambridge, followed by New York and Ann Arbor. The worst is Oklahoma City, Okla.

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